

Bibliography: Death of a Pet

Author

Title

Cohen, Miriam

Jim's Dog Muffins

A friend helps Jim to remember the good times and good memories he had with his dog.

Joose, Barbara

Better With Two

Describes the death of a neighbor's dog and the need for friendship.

Libby, Barbara

Old Cat

Rogers, Fred

When A Pet Dies

Explores the feelings of frustration, sadness, and loneliness that a youngster may feel when a pet dies.

Rylant, Cynthia

Dog Heaven

Child-inspired illustrations.

Cat Heaven

Sanford, Doris

It Must Hurt A Lot

Through the death of a dog, secrets of growth are learned.

Viorst, Judith

The 10th Good Thing About Barney

Death of a pet cat--remembrance and ritual.

Wahl, Mats

Grandfather's Laika

A fully developed story of the death of a family pet and how a young boy is affected.

Wallace-Brodeur, Ruth

Goodbye Mitch

Illness and death of a cat.

Wilhelm, Hans

I'll Always Love You

Story of a young boy dealing with the loss of his dog.

Wittbold, Maureen

Mending Peter's Heart

Death of Peter's pet dog.

Zolotow, Charlotte <u>The Old Dog</u> Ben mourns the loss of his friend, an old brown and white dog

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Bibliography: Coping/Continuity of Life

Author

<u>Title</u>

Alden, Rio

Panda Bear's Journey

A Panda seeks out life's fulfilling aspects.

Baskwill, Jane

Somewhere

Somewhere something wonderful is always happening.

Bauer, Caroline

My Mom Travels A Lot

A child points out the good and bad things about a mother's job where she travels.

Berger, Barbara

Grandfather Twilight

At the days end, Grandfather Twilight puts the moon in the sky each evening.

Brinckloe, Julie

Fireflies

A young boy realizes the fireflies he caught must be set free or they will die.

Cain, Janan

The Way I Feel

Lists several feelings and how to address them.

Carle, Eric

The Tiny Seed

Life cycle of a flower with lessons about all of life.

Cohn, Janice

Why Did It Happen? Helping Children Cope In a

Violent World

After someone was violently hurt, a boy must learn to cope with fear and anger.

Fox, Mem

Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge

Aging with the help of a child.

Frasier, Debra

On The Day You Were Born

Celebrates birth.

Freymann, Saxton & Ellfers, Joost How Are You Peeling? Foods with Moods This book is filled with individual fruits and vegetables expressing themselves.

Gaes, Jason

My Book For Kids With Cansur

A young boy describes his successful two-year battle with cancer and offers advice to other cancer patients.

Gajadin, Chitra

Amal and the Letter From the King

A boy in poor and failing health, "sees" the world through the eyes of others.

George, Lindsay Barrett

Around the Pond: Who's Been Here?

An introduction to eight different wild creatures that live in or near ponds.

Gilman, Phoebe

Something From Nothing

Change can be good

Hamanaka, Sheila

All the Colors of the Earth

"Lyrical" text and "extraordinary, light-filled" paintings celebrate the earth, children and the diversity of the world's ethnic heritages, said PW.

Heegaard, Marge

When Something Terrible Happens

This book helps children explore feelings in a non-threatening and strengths-focused manner.

Hoffman, Mary

Amazing Grace

Johnston, Tony

The Quilt Story

Story of a quilt, a family, and the continuity of life.

Jukes, Mavis

I'll See You In My Dreams

How children can comfort themselves and say good-bye to someone who is dying.

Lamb, Nancy

One April Morning

About the Oklahoma City bombing.

Lester, Helen

A Porcupine Named Fluffy

Unlikely friends deal with peer pressure.

MacLachlan, Patricia

All the Places To Love

Young child tells the story of the places he loves and in the middle of the story welcomes his new baby sister to these places.

Through Grandpa's Eyes

A young boy learns a different way of "seeing" from his blind grandfather.

McKee, David

Elmer and Elmer Again

Finding a way to be accepted.

Martin, Bill

Knots On A Counting Rope

A blind boy sees his own value and strengths.

McLerran, Alice

The Mountain that Loved A Bird

A bird visits and finally proclaims, "I am joy and I have come to stay"

Mundy, Michaelene

Sad Isn't Bad: A Good-Grief Guidebook for Kids

Dealing with Loss

A comforting, realistic look at loss with positive, life-affirming helps for coping with loss.

Munsch, Robert

Love You Forever

A story of the value of the cycle of life.

Oberman, Sheldon

The Always Prayer Shawl

A story that describes how some things need to stay the same in an everchanging world.

Palmer, Pat

I Wish I Could Hold Your Hand: A Child's Guide to

Grief and Loss

This book helps grieving children identify their feelings.

Paschkis, Julie

So Happy, So Sad

This book uses different animals to describe different feelings for youngsters.

Pelikan, Judy

The Heart's Journey

An inspiring tale of the resilience and triumph of the human heart.

Penn, Audrey

The Kissing Hand

A little raccoon is comforted by the kiss his mother left on his hand to take with him everywhere.

Pfister, Marcus

The Rainbow Fish

A story about a very vain fish who finally learns what is really important

Polacco, Patricia

Tikvah Means Hope

When fire destroys their home, they have little left but each other and hope.

I Can Hear the Sun

This is the story of a special needs boy and his deepening relationship with the park keeper where he stays.

The Keeping Quilt

A homemade quilt ties the lives of fur generations of an immigrant Jewish family.

Thundercake

Grandma finds a way to dispel her grandchild's fear of thunderstorms.

Romain, Trevor

What on Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?

This book helps anyone from any age deal with the grief of losing a loved one.

Rylant, Cynthia

The Relatives Came

This story tells of the feelings and experiences when several relatives come to visit.

Saltzman, David

The Jester Has Lost His Jingle

A jester and his friend Pharley wake up to a world without laughter and set out on a quest to find it.

Schwiebert, Pat & DeKlyen, Chuck

Tear Soup

A story about how Grandy faced her loss by making tear soup.

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Silverstein, Shel

The Giving Tree

Friendship and caring for one another.

The Missing Piece

Seeking.

Simon, Norma

Why Am I Different?

In this book each page has a different person with different qualities.

Spinelli, Eileen

Somebody Loves You Mr. Hatch

This warmhearted tale examines the effect that love and tender regard can have on a lackluster existence

St. Germain, Sharon

The Terrible Fight

After a huge fight among best friends, they realize why they were friends in the first place

Thomas, Pat

I Miss You: A First Look at Death

This book helps children understand that death is a natural complement to life.

Thomas, Joyce Carol

Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea

Celebrates the beauty and heritage of African Americans in a lyrical collection of poems

Gingerbread Days

Celebrates the passage of a year within the circle of an extended African American family

Wood, Douglas

Old Turtle

A parable promoting a deeper understanding of ourselves, the earth, and our relationships with all beings.

Zolotow, Charlotte

When the Wind Stops

A book about new beginnings.

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TOPIC: Illness and/or Death of a Parent

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Blume. Judy

Tiger Eyes

A family struggling with grief after the father of the family is killed

Boulden, Jim & Joan

When Sickness Happens

Shows proper behavior and attitude to have among very sick people

Bratman, Fred

When A Parent Dies

A guide to coping with the stresses and emotions arising after the death of a parent.

Burnett, Frances Hodgson

The Secret Garden

Children heal and grow with nature and friendship.

Cera, Mary Jane

Living With Death: Activities to Help Children

Cope With Difficult Situations

A story about the death of a father and activities designed to help children cope.

Clifton, Lucille

Everett Anderson's Goodbye

A young boy tries to come to grips with the death of his father.

Frost, Dorothy

Dad Why'd You Leave Me

Ten-year-old Ronnie feels anger, sorrow, and confusion over the sudden death of his father.

Green, Phyllis

A New Mother for Martha

This book deals with the death of a parent then a remarriage.

Krementz, Jill

How It Feels When A Parent Dies

Written by 18 children between the ages of 7 and 16.

Langer, Ferne Sherkin

When Mommy Is Sick

Explores the emotions of a little girl when her mom is in the hospital.

LeShan, Eda

Learning To Say Good-Bye When A Parent Dies

Little, Jean

Mama's Going to Buy You a Mockingbird

About the illness and subsequent death of a father.

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Madenski, Melissa

Some of the Pieces

One year after the death of a father, a family remembers by going to the beach to release the last of his ashes.

Mahon, K. L

Just One Tear

Diary of a thirteen year old boy who saw his father shot and killed

Mills, Lauren

The Rag Coat

Shows how a young girl can feel guidance and love from her father, even after his death.

Porte, Barbara Ann

Harry's Mom

Harry deals with the death of his mother.

Powell, E. Sandy

Geranium Morning

Two friends share a common bond-the death of a parent.

Stilz, Carol Curtis

Kirsty's Kite

Kirsty lives with her grandfather and flies kites on the beach just as her mother did as a child and faces the emotions of her mom's death.

Talbot, Toby

Away Is So Far

Music as a comfort-death of a mother.

Tiffault, Benette

A Quilt for Elizabeth

A young child remembers her father by helping her grandmother make a quilt.

Vigna, Judith

Saying Goodbye to Daddy

A young girl's grandparents help her through the grieving process after her father's death.

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Bibliography: Illness and/or Death of a Sibling

<u>Author</u>

Title

Boulden, Jim & Joan

When Sickness Happens

Shows proper behavior and attitudes around very sick people

Breebaart, Joeri and Piet

When I Die, Will I Get Better?

Written by a five year old boy (with the help of his father) after his brother dies

Bunting, Eve

A Sudden Silence

Two brothers are walking home and one is killed by a hit and run driver

Coburn, John

Anne and the Sand Dobbies

Death of a sister and of a pet

Cohn, Janice

Molly's Rosebush

A book about miscarriage.

Greene, Constance

Beat the Turtle Drum

A young girl learns to cope with her feelings about her sister's accidental death.

Greenfield, Eloise

Sister

A young girl's memory is explored when she finds an old notebook of events.

Gryte, Marilyn

No New Baby: For Siblings Who Have a Brother or

Sister Die Before Birth

For siblings who have a brother or sister die before birth.

Gunther, John

Death Be Not Proud

A father's memoir of a brave, intelligent, and spirited boy.

Johnson, Joy and Marv

Where's Jess?

For very young children-death of a sibling

Johnson, Patricia and

Morgan's Baby Sister: A Read-Aloud Book

Donna Williams for Families Who Have Experienced the

Death of a Newborn

Young Morgan is excited about her soon to be baby sister, but the baby is born premature and dies

Old, Wendie C.

Stacey Had A Little Sister

A story, for young children, about Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)

Park, Barbara

Mick Harte Was Here

Death of a brother in a bicycle accident

Peterkin, Allan

What About Me? When Brothers and Sisters Get

Sick

Story of a young girl whose brother becomes seriously ill.

Richter, Elizabeth

Losing Someone You Love: When A Brother or

Sister Dies

Sixteen young people describe their emotions when a brother or sister died.

Romond, Janis Loomis

Children Facing Grief

Rothman, Juliet

A Birthday Present for Daniel

A young girl describes how she feels after her brother dies.

Sims, Alicia

Am I Still A Sister?

Teenager remembers baby brother

Tejima, Keizaburo

Swan Sky

A swan gets sick and his family helps him through his illness and death

Temes, Roberta

The Empty Place: A Child's Guide Through Grief

A boy deals with the death of his sister.

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Bibliography: Books For Separation, Divorce, Blended Families

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Betancourt, Jeanne

The Rainbow Kid

Story about a joint custody kid, her struggles, and her triumphs.

Berger, Terry

How Does It Feel When Your Parents Are

Divorced?

Discusses problems and emotions young people experience when parents divorce, the family separates, and life styles change.

Blume, Judy

It's Not The End of the World

Explores the effects of divorce.

Brown, Laurie and Marc

When Dinosaurs Divorce: A Guide For Changing

Families

Friendly dinosaurs in a divorce situation assure readers that everything will be ok.

Field, Mary Blitzer

All About Divorce

Heegaard, Marge

When A Parent Marries Again

Heine, Helme

Friends

Three friends who love to be together come to the realization that sometimes it's just not possible.

Hoffman, Mary

Boundless Grace

Young Grace must overcome her fears of her remarried father's family.

Krementz, Jill

How It Feels When Parents Divorce

A book of pictures and interviews of youth who have been affected by divorce.

Jong, Erica

Megan's Two Houses

A child's view of divorce.

Sanford, Doris

Please Come Home

A little girl faces divorce and has a teddy bear who listens.

My Real Family

Step-families.

Stinson, Kathy

Mom and Dad Don't Live Together Anymore

After a divorce a young girl must face the issues surrounding her.

Zolotow, Charlotte

A Father Like That

A small boy tells his mother what he would like a father to be.

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Bibliography: Illness and/or Death of a Friend

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Title

Berry, Joy

The Letter on Light Blue Stationery

Writing a sympathy note to parents of a classmate.

Boulden, Jim & Joan

Someone Special is Very Sick

Helps young children cope with someone special being sick

When Sickness Happens

Shows proper behavior and attitudes around very sick people

Bunting, Eve

Rudi's Pond

School children respond to the illness and death of a friend and build a pond in his memory.

Carlstrom, Nancy White

Blow Me a Kiss Miss Lilly

Death of an elderly friend

Clardy, Andrea Fleck

Dusty Was My Friend

An 8 yr. old remembers his friend who was killed in a car accident.

Cohn, Janice

I Had A Friend Named Peter:

Talking to children about the death of a friend

Kaldhol, Marit

Good-bye Rune

deals with the death of a best friend, realistic grief, and hope

Kidd, Ronald

That's What Friends Are For

Two inseparable 13-year-olds confront a diagnosis of leukemia.

Mills, Joyce

Gentle Willow: A Story for Children About Dying

Written so children can easily understand the feelings they might have when a friend is seriously ill.

Paterson, Katherine

Death of a friend.

Bridge To Terabithia

Smith, Doris Buchanan

A Taste of Blackberries

Death of a friend from a bee sting (for older children, grades 4-8).

Stiles, Norman

I'll Miss You Mr. Hooper

Big Bird learns to remember his friend.

Thomas, Ianthe

Hi, Mrs. Mallory

Walker, Alice

To Hell With Dying

About an African-American family and their neighbor Mr. Sweet

White, E.B.

Charlotte's Web

Death of a friend and memories for healing.

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Bibliography: Books For Adults To Help Kids

<u>Author</u>

Title

Altemus, Barbara

Stories of Inspiration and Hope

The Gift of Pain: Transforming Hurt Into Healing

Brett, Doris

Annie Stories: A Special Kind of Storytelling

This is a book that helps parents help their children address fears of growing up

Boulden, Jim & Joan

Serious Illness

How to provide positive Emotional Support for your child when someone is very sick

The Caregivers Handbook

Handbook with detail about caring for different demographies

When Death Happens

Shows how to provide positive support for children after death

Campbell, Ella Bozarth

Life is Good-Bye, Life Is Hello

Uses poetry and rhyme and focuses on "grieving well"

Cassini, Kathleen and

Death and the Classroom

Rogers, Jacqueline

Explains how to help a class deal with death

Cerwinske, Laura

Writing As A Healing Art

The Transforming Power of Self-Expression Through Writing

Clifford, Christine

Cancer Has Its Privileges

Stories of Hope and Laughter

Dillon, Ilene

Exploring Grief With Your Child

Fitzgerald, Helen

The Grieving Child: A Parent's Guide

Helping a child cope with the death of a loved one

Gaffney, Dr. Donna

The Seasons of Grief

Gootman, Marilyn

When A Friend Dies: A Book For Teens About

Grieving and Healing

Fairly short book gives readers suggestions and contains quotes from teens who have experienced the death of a friend

Grollman, Earl

Explaining Death To Children

Talking About Death: A Dialogue Between Parent

and Child

Book includes material for children to read-along, parents' guide for explaining death, and resources organized by age group.

When Your Loved One Is Dying

Offers guidance and reassurance for family and friends prior to a loved one's death

Huntley, Theresa

Helping Children Grieve: When Someone They

Love Dies

Breaks down what parents can say to children at various ages

Jarratt, Claudia L.

Helping Children Cope With Separation and Loss

For parents and other adults to help children move through the stages of grief after a loss (includes divorce, death, absence, adoption, and foster care)

Klauser, Henriette Anne

Put Your Heart On Paper

Kolehmainen, Janet & Handwork, Sandra

Teen Suicide

Presents six situations that deal with warning signs, intervention, guilt, and grief associated with teen suicide

Koplewicz, Harold

More Than Moody

Recognizing and treating adolescent depression

Kubler-Ross, Elizabeth

On Children and Death

Examines issues surrounding the death of a child and includes chapters on sudden death, prolonged dying, missing children, murder, childhood suicide, and funerals

Kushner, Harold

When Bad Things Happen To Good People

A rabbi tells his story of facing the loss of his son, while giving insight on how to cope

Linn, Erin

150 Facts About Grieving Children

McCue, Kathleen

How To Help Children Through A Parent's Serious

Illness

This practical handbook prepares parents to address children's fears with absolute honest and profound empathy

O'Toole, Donna

Helping Children Grieve and Grow

A reference guide for parent to help their children grieve

Schiff, Harriett Sarnoff

The Bereaved Parent

A book for people of any faith to help a parent deal with the devastating loss of a child

Stevenson, Robert & Stevenson, Eileen P. Teaching Students About Death

Trozzi, Maria

Talking With Children About Loss

Words, Strategies, and Wisdom to Help Children Cope with Death, Divorce, and Other Difficult Times

Ward, Hiley H.

My Friends' Beliefs

This book touches on the different beliefs of different faiths

Wass, H. and Carr, C.A.

Childhood and Death

Wass, H. and Carr, C.A.

Helping Children Cope With Grief

Williamson, Marianne

Everyday Grace

Having Hope, Finding Forgiveness, and Making Miracles

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Ahlberg, Janet and Allan

Starting School

The first four months of school for eight first graders are chronicled in wonderful watercolor detail.

Alden, Rio

Panda Bear's Journey:

A heroic tale of heart and home

A panda finds his strengths, and finds that he is not alone in the world.

Ayres, Pam

When Dad Cuts Down the Chestnut Tree

A story about change and thinking ahead to the future

Bauer, Caroline

My Mom Travels A Lot

A child points out the good and bad things about a mother's job where she travels.

Berenstain, Stan and Jan

The Berenstain Bears and Mama's New Job

(Note: If kids like these books, many topics, especially about change, are available.)

Berman, Linda

The Good-Bye Painting

A favorite baby-sitter moves away.

Boulden, Jim and Joan

When Someone Is Very Sick

A workbook to help kids cope with illness of a family member or friend

Brett, Doris

Annie Stories: A Special Kind of Storytelling

Brown, Marc

Arthur's New Baby

Arthur adjusts to a new baby at his house.

Arthur's Eyes

Arthur adjusts to wearing glasses

(Note: There are several books in this series that deal with change.)

Bunting, Eve

The Wednesday Surprise

Anna teaches her grandma how to read.

Fly Away Home

A father and son are homeless and live in the airport.

Someday A Tree

This is a story of loss, grief, and hope.

Caines, Jeannette

Abby

Caines provides assurance for adopted children as well as recognition for any little girl with an older brother

Carle, Eric

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Change is discussed by looking at the life of a caterpillar as it becomes a butterfly.

Crary, Elizabeth

I'm Mad

From the "Dealing with Feelings" series

Fisher, Iris

Katie-Bo: An Adoption Story

Relates the adoption of a Korean baby girl into an American family as seen through the eyes of her brother-to-be.

Fowler, Susi

When Joel Comes Home

A little girl describes all the things she and her parents are planning to welcome home friends and their newly-adopted son.

Gabel, Susan

Where The Sun Kisses The Sea

A little boy living in an orphanage dreams of finding a forever family where all the children share the same family name.

Girard, Linda Wolvoord

Adoption Is For Always

A third grader, who has always known she was adopted, is starting to find what it actually means.

Guback, Georgia

Luka's Quilt

After a quilting project doesn't turn out as planned a relationship is strained

Henkes, Kevin

Good-bye, Curtis

A mailman retires and receives thanks for the job he has done

Hickman, Martha

When Andy's Father Went To Prison

After Andy's father is sent to prison, he worries what his friends will think

Hicks, Randall

Adoption Stories For Young Children

Shows young adopted kids that there are many children who are in fact adopted

Keats, Ezra Jack

Peter's Chair

A new baby sister and Peter's feelings about this

Keller, Holly

Horace

Trans-racial adoption

Grandfather's Dream

A Vietnamese boy and his grandfather work to restore their village.

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Sanford, Doris

For Your Own Good

Living in a foster home.

I Know the World's Worst Secret

Elizabeth, the daughter of an alcoholic mother, tries to carry the burden of taking care of the family.

It Won't Last Forever (Hurts of Childhood)

Living with a depressed parent.

Simon, Norma

I Wish I Had My Father

Father's Day is tough for a boy whose father left him years ago and never communicates with him.

Waber, Bernard

Ira Says Goodbye

Ira's friend is moving away.

Weeks, Sarah

Follow the Moon

Saying good-bye to someone you love.

Weiss, Nicki

An Egg is an Egg

Everything changes.

Ziefert, Harriet

Stitches

Jon falls off of his bicycle but is less than enthusiastic about receiving treatment for the cut on his forehead.

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Ackerman, Karen

Song and Dance Man

Children help a grandfather remember his youth

Bahr, Mary/Cunningham

The Memory Box

Discusses Alzheimer's Disease and the relationship between grandfather and grandson

Boulden, Jim & Joan

When Sickness Happens

Shows proper behavior and attitudes around very sick people

Britain, Lory

My Grandma Died

A young girl loses her grandmother and learns to cope

Burrowes, Adjoa J.

Grandma's Purple Flowers

A comforting story of a young girl's love for her grandmother

Carson, Jo

You Hold Me and I'll Hold You

A little girl and her father comfort each other after the death of an aunt

Caseley, Judith

When Grandpa Came To Stay

Benny's grandpa comes to live with him after Benny's grandmother dies

Cazet, Denys

Christmas Moon

Patrick (a bunny) misses his grandfather at Christmas time

Combs, Ann

How Old is Old?

Age is a relative thing

Dennison, Amy, Allie, & David

After You Lose Someone You Love

Advice and Insight from the diaries of three kids who've been there

dePaola, Tomie

Nana Upstairs and Nana Downstairs

A story of family, generations, life, and death

dePaola, Tomie

Now One Foot, Now the Other

Explains stroke, discusses how to care for an ill person.

Egger, Bettina

Marianne's Grandmother

Although she misses her grandma, remembering helps ease the pain

Engel, Diana

Eleanor, Arthur, and Claire

When Grandpa dies, Claire and her grandmother remember him through the art work they all enjoyed doing.

Farrington, Liz

And Peter Said Good-Bye

Peter copes with his feelings about his grandfather's death

Fassler, Joan

My Grandpa Died Today

A boy, a baseball, and the death of his grandfather

Fox, Mem

Sophie

Depicts a family from birth of a young girl to death of their grandfather

Fox, Mem

Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge

Aging with the death of a child

Geller, Norman

I Don't Want To Visit Grandma Anymore

Nursing homes and aging are addressed in this story.

Hesse, Karen

Poppy's Chair

Leah visits her grandmother for the first time since the death of her grandfather.

Hines, Anna Grossnickle

Remember the Butterflies

Grandpa teaches Glen and Holly about a butterfly's life. He stresses how it lays eggs and the egg carries the butterfly's life on. When the grandfather dies, they remember the butterflies and decide Grandpa can live through them

Hippely, Hilary Horder

A Song For Lena

A story of gifts given from the heart

Holden, L. Dwight

Gran Gran's Best Trick: A Story for Children Who

Have Lost Someone They Love

Deals sensitively with illness and death of a grandparent who has cancer

Johnston, Tony

Yonder

About the life cycle of a family and teaches the concept of generations

Jordan, Marykate

Losing Uncle Tim

Daniel's Uncle Tim dies of AIDS

Kesselman, Wendy

Emma

Emma finds a way to keep from being lonely

L'Engle, Madeleine

A Ring of Endless Light

Vicky, 16, narrates the climactic events with Grandfather Eaton on a New England island, where he is living his last days

Le Tord, Bijou

My Grandma Leonie

Story of a child's relationship with her grandmother

Liss-Levinson, Nechama

When A Grandparent Dies -- Dealing With Shiva

and the Year Beyond

Workbook helps children to participate in the process of mourning, and overcome the awkwardness that often accompanies their participation in grieving rituals

Martin Jr., Bill and Archambault, John Knots On A Counting Rope
a blind boy sees his own value and strengths through the stories of his grandfather

Miles, Miska

Annie and the Old One

About the impending death of a grandmother

Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux

Always Gramma

A little girl tells about her wonderful relationship with her grandmother

Nobisso, Josephine

Grandma's Scrapbook

A teen-aged girl remembers her grandma

Grandpa Loved

A teen-aged boy remembers his grandfather

Nystrom, Carolyn

Emma Says Good-Bye

About the terminal illness and death of an aunt

Peavy, Linda

Allison's Grandfather

A friend helps Allison deal with the illness and death of her grandfather

Pomerantz, Barbara

Bubby, Me, and Memories

About the death of a grandmother; describes Jewish rituals

Rappaport, Doreen

But She's Still My Grandmother

Rylant, Cynthia

Missing May

Summer looks for ways to ease her sorrow and find strength to go on

Scheller, Melanie

My Grandfather's Hat

Jason finds comfort in his grandfather's hat

Steven, Margaret

When Grandpa Died

A little girl tries to come to terms with the death of her grandfather

Thurman, Chuck

A Time For Remembering

After his grandfather's death, a boy remembers the experiences they shared and follows his grandfather's last request.

Wright, Betty Ren

The Cat Next Door

As she tries to contain her grief after her grandmother dies, a girl is surprised by a special gift from her feline friend: two new kittens.

Yolen, Jane

Granddad Bill's Song

Memories are shared about a grandparent who has died.

Zolotow, Charlotte

My Grandson Lew

Lewis and his mother remember Grandpa, who used to come in the night when Lewis called.

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Title

Ancoma, George

Pablo Remembers

About the Mexican fiesta "The Day of the Dead" and how Pablo and family honor his grandfather.

Arnold, Caroline

What Do We Do When Someone Dies?

Discusses terms associated with death.

Bartone, Elisa

The Angel Who Forgot

The pain of grief and power of remembrance are evident in this story.

Berry, Joy

Good Answers to Tough Questions About Death

Serious questions are asked and answered by cartoon characters.

Boulden, Jim and Joan

Goodbye Forever

A workbook to help kids cope with a death.

Someone Special Is Very Sick

Last Good-bye

Explains to young children how to deal with special people getting sick.

Saying Goodbye

Explains death as a natural order of life

The Last Goodbye I

Workbook that addresses feelings associated with death and dving

The Last Goodbye II

Workbook that addresses feelings associated with death and dying

When Death Happens

A Parent Guide for bereavement

La Muerte

(In Spanish) Guide to help children cope with death

Brown, Marc and Laurie Krasny Brown

When Dinosaurs Die: A Guide To Understanding

Death

Gives suggestions for kids on how to express their feelings.

Brown, Margaret Wise

The Dead Bird

Illustrates the naturalness of grief process, children's interest in death, and rituals.

Bunting, Eve

The Happy Funeral

A culturally rich description of a Chinese funeral.

Burnett, Frances Hodgson

The Secret Garden

Children heal and grow with nature and friendship.

Buscaglia, Leo

The Fall of Freddie the Leaf

An inspiring allegory illustrating the delicate balance between life and death.

Carter, Forrest

The Education of Little Tree

A Cherokee boy faces life and death with nurturance.

Clifford, Eth

The Remembering Box

A grandmother and grandson discuss memories and reasons for different kinds of tears.

Coerr, Eleanor A story of losses.

Sadako and the Thousand Cranes

Coutant, Helen

First Snow

A Vietnamese girl discovers that life and death are really just two parts of the same thing.

Farley, Carol

The Garden Is Doing Fine

Corrie learns that no matter what, a part of her dying father will always be with her.

Forti, Katherine

The Door To the Secret City

A pre-teen loses his fear of death and finds his true spirit.

Gackenbach, Dick

Do You Love Me?

After a hummingbird's accidental death, Walter learns that not all creatures want to be pets.

Greene, Constance

Beat the Turtle Drum

A young girl learns to cope with her feelings about her sister's accidental death.

Hanson, Warren

The Next Place

An inspirational journey of light and hope to a place where earthly hurts are left behind.

Heegaard, Marge

When Someone Very Special Dies: Children Can

Learn to Cope with Grief

Expressing and transforming grief.

Kennedy, Richard

Come Again In The Spring

An old man tries to outsmart Death with the help of the birds who come to his cabin.

Liberman, Judith

The Bird's Last Song

How the past infuses the present and the future.

Maple, Marilyn

On the Wings of a Butterfly

A story of a young dying girl who shares her fears with a butterfly

Mellonie, Bryan and Robert Ingpin

Lifetimes, A Beautiful Way to Explain Death to

Children

A beautifully illustrated book simply explains cycles of life in plants, animals, and people.

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O'Toole, Donna

Aarvy Aardvark Finds Hope

Loving, losing, friendship and hope--a story for all ages.

Ouinlan, Patricia

Tiger Flowers

About illness and death from AIDS.

Rafes, Eric

A Kid's Book About Death and Dying: By and For

Kids

Written by kids ages 11 to 14.

Rando, Therese

Grieving: How To Go On Living When Someone

You Love Has Died

Help for those who have survived loss.

Ross, Kent and Alice

Cemetery Quilt

An affirmation that life is valued and remembered.

Rylant, Cynthia

Missing May

Summer looks for ways to ease her sorrow and find strength to go on.

Simon, Norma

The Saddest Time

Three short stories about death.

Simon, Norma and Sanderson, Ruth

We Remember Philip

Death of a teacher's son.

Stein, Sara Bonnett

About Dying: An Open Family Book for Parents

and Children Together

Simultaneously offers text for adults and children.

Stickney, Doris

Waterbugs and Dragonflies

A small booklet that explains the mystery of death to young children.

Thomas, Pat

I Miss You

A first look at Death.

Varley, Susan

Badger's Parting Gifts

Comfort in remembering after a death.

Weigelt, Udo

Bear's Last Journey

Explores the feeling forest animals experience with the impending loss of their friend, Bear.

White Deer of Autumn

The Great Change

A Native American story uses nature to explain death.

Williams, Margery

The Velveteen Rabbit

"Becoming real" by being loved--a reminder that we can never totally lose that which is loved.

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Winsch, Jane

After The Funeral

Simple words and illustrations help families through the grieving process.

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